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Miscellaneous.
Daylight.—*Frone* leaves for Japan.
Tantius leaves for Shanghai, &c.
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Kowloon Customs Office close.
Local Banks close.
Insurance Offices close.

The China Mail.

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at 7.00 p.m.

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TELEGRAMS.

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(Via Southern Line.)

THE HOME RULE BILL.

Singapore, February, 15th.

Mr A. J. Balfour denounced the Bill, characterising it as a bastard combination of the Federal, Colonial and British systems of Government in which the rights of Ulster were ignored. The financial proposals he declared equivalent to the payment of a war indemnity to victorious

forces. Mr Redmond applauded the principle of the Bill, but considered that it contained grave defects which must be remedied before it could become acceptable as a final solution of the question. Sir E. Clarke criticised its details, especially the proposal to retain Irish members at Westminster and the absence of any provision

for the safeguard of Christ. And opposition will resist the Bill to the utmost. Mr. T. Saxon generally approved of the Bill, and said that he was not a member of the Unionist Press but it is cordially approved of by the Liberator's papers.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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OUTWARD BOUND.—Kingston, Dec. 23
Glenay, 30; Oat, Jan. 6 *Per, Bay*
Jan. 13.—*Telam, Blackf.*
Strathlen, Depine, 27; Ouz, Myrmidon, Radnorshire, Cype Camino, 31
Glenoghe, Chingto, Feb. 4.

HOMEWARD BOUND.—Blenabers, Jan. 10

Ajacc, 13; *Diomed*, 1; *Greenleaf*,
Tian, 20; *Rikipo*, 30; *Bayern*, *Gla*
morganshire, 31; *Shanghai*, *Glenesk*
Feb. 4.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd S. S. Compa-
ny's *s. Neckar*, with the *GERMAN*
MAIL from Berlin to Jan. 19, left Sin-
gapore on Monday, Feb. 13, at 8 a.m.,
and may be expected here on or about
Sunday, Feb. 19.

The M. M. Co.'s steamship *Oxus*, with
the FRENCH MAIL of January 20,
left Singapore on Thursday, Feb. 16,
at 6 p.m., and may be expected here

The R. M. S. S. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver for Hongkong *via* Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai on Feb. 9.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamship *China* with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, *via* Honolulu and Yokohama on Feb. 14.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamship *Cyclops* left Singapore on Feb. 13, and may be expected here on or about Feb. 17.

This a. s. *Lightning*, with mails &c. from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore on Feb. 14, and may be expected here on or about Feb. 21.

The O. S. S. Co.'s a. s. *Telamon* left Singapore on Feb. 14, and may be expected here on or about Feb. 21.

The P. & O. s. s. *Thames* left Bombay for this port on Feb. 4.
The N. G. L. s. s. *Bormida* left Bombay for this port on Feb. 12, and may be expected here on or about March 4.
The P. and O. s. s. *Bombay* left London for this port on Jan. 21.
The M. M. Co.'s s. s. *Ozuz* left Singapore at 6 p.m. to-day, with the French mail, for this port.

To-morrow being Chinese New Year's Day there will be no issue of the *China Mail*. The Rifle Association's shooting competition advertised for Saturday is postponed to the 25th inst. A Post Office notice intimates that the Post

THE S.S. *Lee Sok*, which arrived here this afternoon from Bangkok, reports passing a derelict junk off the Ladroneas, in a water-logged condition.

Captain Hastings at the Magistrate's to-day with stealing a female child, seven years of age, at Station Street early in February. The accused was defended by Phillipps, who, in his cross-examination of the complainant and her witnesses, was able to deduce such facts as justified Captain Hastings in dismissing the case.

The French are not in the mood just now for enjoying practical jokes at their own expense, says a correspondent of a Rangoon paper, but they indulge in a huge grin at the discharged jail-bird from the Hong-kong prison, Comte de 'Popoff' passing himself off as the Dutch Admiral Wisman at Rangoon, as the French authorities are

giving him all honours, naval and military; holding receptions in his honour; giving official dinners, &c. He had come to Reunion to make arrangements for the opening up of Madagascar, and he had all but caught the wealthiest Creole heiress in the colony.

The Bangkok Times says:—His Majesty the King expects to leave Bangkok for a trip in the new cruiser *Maechachakri* on Tuesday, and, it is probable, will remain absent some two weeks or so. We regret to learn that His Majesty has been slightly indisposed lately, and trust he may be completely restored to health by the change of air and scene.



